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SEVENTEEN ARE CALLED FOR ARMY SERVICE

COLUMBIA COUNTY'S QUOTA

Orders Have Been Sent Ordered Men to Report for Period of April 20.

Acting upon orders received from the adjutant general of Oregon, the local board has called notices to the following draftsmen who are in Class 1, informing them to report at St. Helens within a five day period beginning April 15th:

- Louis Laken, Stark, Mont.; Sidney Ring, Clatskanie; Oscar Matthews, Clatskanie; Wm. B. Ward, Clatskanie; Cassius Fowler, Goble; John Smith, Deer Island; William Bryant, Goble; Louis C. Boeck, Vernonia; Michael Michelson, Ingalls; Vernon Smith, Deer Island; John Gustafson, Portland; James T. Rodgers, Rainier; Alfred A. Popham, Clatskanie; Frank E. Johnson, Knappa; Alvin Damis, St. Helens; Michael Tolleshang, Rainier; Bartholomew Rosasco, Firwood; Bert C. Rank, Portland; Ernest H. Zelaman, Scappoose; John A. Anderson, Warren; Louis Birkenfeld, George; Kerry, Roy C. Hansen, Portland; Harold G. Carlson, Warren; and Jos. Osmialouki, Warren.

The county's quota is 19 men, and Oregon must furnish 923 men, which is 12.5 per cent of the state's gross quota.

Though men of Class 1 are to be inducted into service in the sequence of their order numbers, the calling of men actively, completely and assiduously engaged in the planting and cultivation of farm crops, will be deferred until the end of the new quota, so it is not possible to state who of the above mentioned men will go on this call.

According to military orders no county in the state will be exempted from furnishing its proportionate quota of men to meet the call.

DR. KERR COMING SATURDAY NIGHT

Public Address Will Be Delivered at Gymnasium—All Invited.

Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural College, will be at St. Helens Saturday night and will give an address on the relations of the civilians to the army.

Suppose France should collapse because America does not make the sacrifice necessary to feed her soldiers and citizens, what would become of the rapidly forming American army in France.

This is one of the possibilities which will be presented by Dr. Kerr, who is representing the United States Government in a speaking tour in Oregon.

Dr. Kerr will be accompanied by Captain Humphreys, U. S. A., who will talk on the preparation of our army for the battlefields of Europe.

Immediately after closing the meeting at St. Helens, Dr. Kerr and Captain Humphreys will go to Warren, where they will speak before the Warren Grange.

The Liberty Loan committee, the county council of defense, county agricultural agent and the county judges are co-operating with the local committees so as to make this meeting a great success.

Before this tour was undertaken, Dr. Kerr was called to Washington to confer with the French high commission to the United States, and he has some information to impart which every citizen of the town should hear.

Remember, at the gymnasium; 8:30 p. m. Saturday night.

WE ARE WELL PLEASED

The Mist has received the following letter from the pupils of the McBride school who won prizes in the Thrift Contest:

St. Helens, Ore., April 10, 1918.

Dear Sirs: We, the undersigned, received the Thrift Stamp prizes as offered by you. We are well pleased and thank you very much for them.

Yours truly,
GLEN FAXON.
ALTON CLARK.
JOE PAYNE.

ROAD WORK IN THE NEHALEM PROGRESSES

A New Rock Quarry is Being Opened by the County.

Roadmaster Abry returned last night from the Nehalem, where he has been laying out the road work in Districts 8 and 9.

Supervisor Hill in District No. 8 has begun work on the change on the lower Nehalem road, two miles east of Mist, and Contractor Gessel has a crew of men at work on the second mile of the Pittsburg-St. Helens road.

Work is in progress on opening up a rock quarry about midway between Pittsburg and Mist. There is a very good class of rock there and it can be gotten cheaper and is much better than the river gravel which has formerly been used. The new roller has been sent to the Nehalem, and from now on the roads in District 8 will be rolled. Heretofore the gravel was spread on the road, as the district has never had a roller.

NEWS ITEMS OF OUR SOLDIER BOYS



HARRY WILSON

Son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, who has recently won the appointment of yeoman in the U. S. navy. Harry enlisted in the navy in April, 1917, being one of the first of the St. Helens boys to answer the call. He is in the headquarters department in San Francisco but hopes he will soon be transferred to one of the war vessels.

Percy Harrison has received a letter from his son Henry, who is in the 4th U. S. cavalry stationed at Schofield Barracks, Honolulu, in which he stated that his command had received orders to pack up and be in readiness to move. Young Harrison enlisted last May and ran away from home to do so, but his father has forgiven him for that long ago and the young soldier is making a good record in the army.

Mrs. J. R. Hobbs has received a letter from her son Arnold stating that he has been transferred from the United States battleship Nebraska to the Baltimore and is now a gunner. Young Hobbs enlisted as a machinist but later decided he would rather help with the big guns. He was given a tryout and made such a favorable impression that he secured the desired position. Arnold is stationed at some port on the Atlantic but will soon be in the transport services.

Rev. Johnson has received a letter from his son Oren, who is in France with the Oregon troops. He is well and anxious to get at the Huns.

COUNTY CLERK IS APPOINTED

Before adjourning its session last week, the county court appointed J. W. Hunt county clerk, to succeed Rees R. Hall, resigned. The new clerk has been county treasurer for the past two years, and resigned that position to accept the deputyship under former Clerk Hall.

Road Supervisor Uther Clark has the rock crusher running and is furnishing crushed rock for the road job he is doing in Houlton.

LETTERS OF WINNERS IN THRIFT CONTEST

Seven hundred school children of Columbia county told the Mist their reasons for buying Thrift Stamps. Following are the letters of the winners of the prizes telling why they do buy. Mr. Grownup, can you give as good a reason why you don't buy?

The following letters from the children give some mighty good reasons why they are buying the stamps.

Eighth Grade—First Prize

Why I Buy Thrift Stamps.

First, the proceeds from Thrift Stamps go to the government as a loan for the war, second it is expended by the government for food, clothing and ammunition which goes to the soldiers and sailors. It is money saved at home and can be loaned to our government and for ourselves. The Thrift Stamps are not for the rich only, but also for the people of small incomes. When you buy a stamp you are doing your duty as a American citizen to win this war. Our boys are over there doing their duty, and we ought to do our part at home. It will help the credit of our nation and it will show our enemies that the whole nation is at war. That is why we should save our money and buy Thrift Stamps and the sooner our boy's will be home.

CARRIE ANDERSON.

Hazel Grove School, District 15.

Eighth Grade—Second Prize

St. Helens, Ore., Mar. 23, 1918.

Dear Sirs: The reasons I buy Thrift Stamps are:

First, every little bit helps the government to win the war.

If every person in the United States bought one Thrift Stamp the government would get about twenty-three million dollars.

Second, What our government gets will help to preserve Democracy and abolish Kaiserism to save life and not destroy it.

Third, I feel that what I give will help to restore Belgium and the other downtrodden countries of the world to their rightful owners.

Fourth, The sooner our Government gets the money it needs and uses it, the sooner thousands of lives and millions of dollars will be saved.

Last and not least, as for keeping my money I know that our Government is the safest place in the world and I know that our Government will win.

Yours truly,
GLEN FAXON.

Eighth Grade—Third Prize

Rainier, Oregon, March 18, 1918.

The Mist Saving Dept., St. Helens, Oregon.

Gentleman: The reason I buy War saving stamps: (1) because every little helps our boys over there. (2) because it is saving me money to go to college on. (3) In the future I am going to be a traveling sort of young man then my money will come in handy again. (4) I loan my money same as you to lick the bloodthirsty kaiser. (5) I loan my money to help win this war for Democracy. (6) I loan my money to show my patriotism. (7) I loan my money to make this war a final war of all the wars that are coming towards us. (8) I loan my money to show that I am not a slacker. If I can't go to war I can help win it by loaning my money to my Government.

I think every boy or girl that is a United States citizen ought to have one or more if possible.

Yours truly,
GRANDON HEDGES.

Eighth Grade—Fourth Prize

Houlton, Oregon, March 20, 1918.

St. Helens Mist Thrift Contest Dept.

Dear Sirs: I am buying Thrift Stamps to help the soldiers in the trenches at the front win the war by supplying them with supplies and material to work with.

To show that I am patriotic and thrifty, can help the Government all ways I can and that I will do my bit in helping the Government win the war and overthrow the autocracy rule.

To help overthrow the overbearing

rule of the Germans which has been taught them since they were old enough to read and write the German language, and help set up a republic form of rule throughout the world, and abolish autocracy completely from the earth forever.

Very Truly Yours,
ALTON CLARK.

Seventh Grade—First Prize

Vernonia, Ore., Mar. 22, 1918.

St. Helens Mist, Thrift Stamp Dept.

Dear Sirs: I am proud that the United States of America is my country, therefore, I believe it is my duty, as well as privilege, to be a patriotic citizen, and buy Thrift Stamps.

When buying Thrift Stamps we are helping to buy food, clothing, bedding, ammunition, and other things which the soldiers are in need of. Nothing should hinder one from buying Thrift Stamps. If I do not buy any I am helping the enemy. The United States must have money in this time of need. My money will not be lost, but will be given back to me with interest, so can I not help in winning the war? One person can't do it all, so why can't I give some of my pleasure for Freedom and Liberty, and help to defend our boys at the front, who are fighting for us?

Yours respectfully,
RUTH NEVERLING.

Seventh Grade—Second Prize

Vernonia, Oregon, March 20, 1918.

St. Helens Mist, Thrift Contest Dept.

Dear Sir: I think we should buy Thrift and war stamps to help our government as we are in war and need the money as well as the men and boys.

If our boys and men will go to the front and risk their lives, we surely can't do much less than to buy Thrift and war stamps that the money may go to buy clothes and food for them and also supplies for them to fight with.

When we buy stamps it is better than putting the money into the bank and it is teaching us to save our money and use it only for things that will benefit us.

Our government protects us, therefore, we should put all the money we have to spare into Thrift and war saving stamps so that it may have money to continue its fight for democracy.

Yours very respectfully,
HATTIE MAY WEBSTER.

Seventh Grade—Third Prize

Rainier, Oregon, March 21, 1918.

St. Helens Mist, Thrift Contest Dept.

Dear Sirs: The reason why I buy Thrift Stamps are as follows:

To help win the war and put the Kaiser out of his position.

To help feed our soldiers and allies, who are at the firing line, fighting our battles, to preserve us a free country, and not be run over, by such a barbarous nation as Germany.

To help the Government, to have enough money, to back up all debts, and so we will always have one of the best and strongest: nation of the world.

ORA INGOLD.

Seventh Grade—Fourth Prize

St. Helens School, March 22, 1918.

Why I Buy Thrift Stamps.

Dear Editor of the Mist.

I buy Thrift Stamps because I think it is my patriotic duty as a loyal citizen of the United States.

The Government needs money to carry on this great war. Every man woman and child who is a patriot will give money by buying Thrift Stamps. It is a small but very useful way of doing our bit.

Money will clothe, feed, arm, and cheer our boys "over there" who are fighting and dying for us. Surely we can make a small sacrifice and buy a Thrift Stamp when we know that it will all go to help this great cause along.

Money will put spirit into the nation who have been fighting longer than we. They will know that in the U. S. they have a loyal friend and ally.

So I am buying Thrift Stamps because it is my patriotic duty as a

OPENING GAME WON BY ST. HELENS

Home Team Wins Close Game at Opening of League Season.

Sunday was the opening date of the Shipbuilders' League, and the St. Helens team won the plaudits of the 400 fans present by winning a close contest from the Peninsula Shipbuilding Company aggregation. The Peninsula scored one in the first frame but St. Helens evened this up when timely bingles sent Virgil Stevens across the rubber. In the third inning St. Helens scored again, and to make matters doubly sure put another tally across in the fifth.

Gus Davis, for St. Helens, twirled a steady game and was never in distress, though some sharp outfielding helped when help was needed. The features of the game were the pitching and catching of the St. Helens battery, Davis and McIntosh, and the hitting of Stevens, who secured a triple and a double in four trips to the plate. Sid Williams pitched a good game for the Peninsula, but his team couldn't fathom the slants of Davis when hits meant runs.

Sunday St. Helens will try conclusions with the fast Northwest Steel Company, and Manager Rodgers states he will have the St. Helens aggregation further strengthened by that time and is confident St. Helens will tuck the game away. He is negotiating with Tub Spencer, hold-out catcher for Detroit, and Eddie Mensor of the Oakland team, and expects to have these two players in St. Helens uniforms in the near future.

Cline, formerly of the American Association and the Northwest League, has been signed up and will soon be in St. Helens. Rodgers has a line on several other finished players, and promises to have St. Helens at or near the top of the league.

The game last Sunday was not as well attended as it should have been, owing to the uncertainty of matters, but a crowd of 1000 or more is expected to be at the park Sunday when the umpire calls "Play ball."

One thing is certain, such died-in-the-wool fans as Joe Day, Magnus Saxon, Henry Morgus and Judge Harris will be there to urge the St. Helens players on to victory.

The game starts promptly at 3 o'clock.

WOMEN SELL \$12,650 LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

Willing Workers Meet With Ready Response.

Women's Third Liberty Loan committee reported to the county chairman, Mrs. J. G. Watts, on April 10, that bonds amounting to \$12,650 had been purchased through the influence of the following organizations:

- Episcopal church \$ 3,400
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- Honor Guard 1,000
- Catholic church 900
- St. Helens Rebekah lodge... 250
- John Gumm school 3,850
- St. Helens Woman's club .. 1,350
- Congregational church 500
- Pythian Sisters 1,150
- Methodist church 250

Total \$12,650

The following organizations are pledged to buy a \$50 bond: St. Helens Woman's club, Episcopal Guild, Catholic Aid, Houlton M. E. Aid, St. Helens M. E. Aid, Congregational Aid, Pythian Sisters, Houlton Rebekahs, St. Helens Rebekahs and the Honor Guard, while three others are arranging to buy one.

Columbia City is more than busy these days and will send in a report soon.

The Honor Guard will give a flag to the class in the school at St. Helens, Houlton or Columbia City that sells the largest amount of Liberty Bonds.

Excitement in school circles is running high, as there is much friendly rivalry, especially between two grades of the John Gumm school.

H. E. Abry left Friday morning for Seattle, where he will attend the convention of Oregon-Washington Highway Engineers.

Mrs. Josephine Mathison, daughter of P. W. Harrison, is attending the Bursell Business School in the Lumbermen's Exchange building, Portland.

COLUMBIA COUNTY GOES OVER THE TOP

QUOTA IS EXCEEDED

Estimate of Subscriptions in County is \$125,000.

In the Third Liberty Loan drive, Columbia county has gone over the top and the subscriptions for the government securities are rapidly pouring in to the several banks in the county. At 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon the St. Helens bank reported subscriptions of \$27,000; Rainier bank, \$23,900; Scappoose, \$8,000, and Clatskanie approximately \$20,000. The officials of the bank said that only a small portion of the subscriptions had been turned in, as the committees were still busy among the bond buyers.

The quota of Columbia county is \$79,000, and that has already been reached, and it is sure that \$50,000 more will come in. In the St. Helens total is not included the amount subscribed by the employees of the Sommarstrom yard at Columbia City, which is more than \$30,000, and a considerable portion of the subscriptions of the employees of the St. Helens Shipbuilding Company is not included, and when these amounts are turned in it is estimated that St. Helens will go \$70,000 to \$75,000 or almost the entire quota of the county.

While no complete figures are available, those workers who have given up so much of their time in the interest of the cause, can rest assured that Columbia county will go "over the top" by a big amount. Complete totals and amounts from the several communities will be published in the Mist next week.

NEW CITY OFFICIALS ARE NOW IN OFFICE

Standing Committees Appointed by Mayor Saxon.

Monday night the new city officials took their oaths of office and were inducted into their offices. The old officials cleaned up what business there was before them before the newly elected officers took over the reins of the city administration.

Mayor Saxon appointed the following committees:

Judiciary—Allen, McDonald and Barton.

Finance—Plummer, McDonald and Allen.

Streets—McDonald, Plummer and Barton.

Fire and Water—Barton, McDonald and Plummer.

Health—Allen, McDonald, Saxon, Barton and Plummer.

Police—McDonald, Allen and Plummer.

Printing—Allen, McDonald and Barton.

Building—Saxon, Allen, McDonald, Barton and Plummer.

The mayor also reappointed Geo. Potter city marshal and W. W. Blakesley as deputy marshal. Recorder Quick was also reappointed.

THRIFT STAMP SALES TOTAL \$20,619.00

The total of the sales of Thrift Stamps in Columbia county now reach a total of \$20,619.10, according to figures compiled by Mrs. I. E. Dodd, St. Helens' postmaster. The sales for the week ending April 11 are:

- Clatskanie \$ 270.25
- Deer Island 63.10
- Goble 30.00
- Houlton 41.00
- Mist 124.50
- Rainier 283.29
- Scappoose 99.65
- Yankton 80.60
- St. Helens 451.00

Total \$ 1,443.39

The total sales by months are:

- December, 1917 \$ 1,157.66
- January 3,136.77
- February 5,156.13
- March 11,168.54

Total \$20,619.10

It will be seen that the interest in the Thrift campaign is increasing month by month and also that for the first time St. Helens is at the top of the list in the weekly sales.